

1 \_\_\_\_\_ BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

2 INTRODUCED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDING FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION  
5 GRANTS; ESTABLISHING USES FOR GRANT FUNDING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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9 **NEW SECTION. Section 1. Suicide prevention grants -- appropriation.** (1) There is appropriated  
10 \$500,000 from the state special revenue fund account established in 17-6-603 to the department of public  
11 health and human services for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, for grants made pursuant to 53-21-1101  
12 and 53-21-1111 for suicide prevention activities.

13 (2) The appropriation must be used to:

14 (a) implement evidence-based strategies developed with assistance from the United States  
15 department of veterans affairs and the federal substance abuse and mental health services administration;

16 (b) continue state and tribal efforts in implementing the action steps of the Montana native youth  
17 suicide reduction strategic plan published in January 2017; and

18 (c) implement recommendations from the 2016 Montana suicide mortality review team report for  
19 evidence-based youth suicide prevention programs and mental health screening.

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21 **NEW SECTION. Section 2. Notification to tribal governments.** The secretary of state shall send a  
22 copy of [this act] to each federally recognized tribal government in Montana.

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24 **NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2021.

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